

Rep. Scott Holcolmb D-81

## **Biography**

Scott Holcomb represents District 81 in the Georgia House of Representatives. Scott is the Minority Caucus Chief Deputy Whip and he serves on the following committees: Public Safety and Homeland Security, Defense and Veterans Affairs, Higher Education, and Juvenile Justice.

Scott is an experienced attorney who has practiced since 1998. He began his career as a lawyer with the U.S. Army JAG Corps, where he served as a prosecutor and international law attorney. He served with the 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, Georgia, from 1998-2001 and deployed to Bosnia for Operation Joint Forge. From 2001-2003, he served with 3rd Army at Fort McPherson, Georgia, and deployed overseas for Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom from 2001-2003. During those conflicts, he provided advice on the laws of war to the three-star generals who commanded ground forces in Afghanistan and Iraq. Scott received numerous awards and decorations for his military service.

Following his military service, Scott worked at Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP and focused his practice on litigation. In 2006 and 2007, he was named a "Rising Star" by Georgia Super Lawyers Magazine. In 2007, Scott became the general counsel for J.P. Turner & Company, L.L.C., a local business. In 2011, he opened The Holcomb Law Firm, LLC.

Scott is a strong advocate for veterans' issues and he provides pro bono representation to veterans and their families. He serves on the Military Legal Assistance Committee of the State Bar of Georgia and he is a member of Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, the American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Scott is active in the community and is a member of the Henderson Mill Elementary School PTA and an adviser to the Northlake Community Alliance. He has served on the boards of HOPE Atlanta, the Georgia Perimeter College Foundation, and the Georgia Asylum and Immigration Network.

An expert in international law and foreign policy, Scott taught part-time at the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at Georgia Tech. He is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a Principal with the Truman National Security Project. His commentary has been published in the Chicago Journal of International Law and several newspapers including the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Savannah Morning News, and Macon Telegraph. He has also appeared on CNN, NPR, and BBC Radio and other media outlets to discuss politics and foreign policy.

Scott earned an MBA from the University of Georgia, a J.D. from West Virginia University, and a B.A. from the University of Connecticut. He has also completed the Legislative Health Policy

Certificate Program at Georgia State University. Scott has also spent time studying overseas as an American Marshall Memorial Fellow, Manfred Worner Fellow, French-American Foundation Young Leader, and student at the Bucerius Summer School on Global Governance.

In 2012, Scott was named one of Georgia's 40 under 40 Honorees by Georgia Trend Magazine. He also received Environmental Leadership Awards from Georgia Conservation Voters in 2011 and 2012.

Scott is married to the former Kathleen Oh of Reidsville, Georgia. They have a son, Carter, and a daughter, Kirsten, and attend Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

An active athlete, Scott completed Ironman Florida and enjoys running marathons. Most mornings, he can be found running in the Northlake area of his district.